

Vacancy Details

Links: 09-09
Date: 1/21/2009
Closing Date: 2/6/2009
Command & Location: NAVFAC Washington, (WNY)
Grade: YA-02 (comparable to GS-12/13 pay)
Type: Environmental/Real Estate

This is a re-advertisement of Personnel Notice 113-08. Individuals who applied under Personnel Notice 113-08 need not to reapply; they will automatically be considered under this personnel notice.

There is an anticipated vacancy for an attorney to serve as an Assistant Counsel for the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Washington (NAVFAC Washington), located at the Washington Navy Yard (WNY) in Washington, D.C. NAVFAC manages the planning, design, construction, contingency engineering, real estate, environmental, and public works support for U. S. Navy, Marine Corps and other defense agencies' shore facilities around the world. NAVFAC Washington is responsible for oversight of all NAVFAC products and services throughout the National Capital Area. The NAVFAC Washington Office of Counsel deals with the full range of OGC practice areas, including acquisition, environmental law, civilian personnel law, real estate, fiscal law, litigation, the Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts, and standards of conduct.

The principal practice area for this position will be environmental and real estate law. The incumbent of this position will provide legal advice to the Environmental Business Line and the Asset Management Business Line on a wide array of legal issues, including environmental compliance, environmental restoration, environmental planning, and real estate transactions (e.g., leases, easements and licenses). It is also possible that the attorney will be assigned duties related to the other aspects of NAVFAC and OGC practice.

This position will be filled under the National Security Personnel System (NSPS), which is a pay for performance system using pay bands and salary ranges. This position will be filled in the Standard Career Group YA-02 pay band (comparable to GS-12/13 pay), with promotion potential to the YA-03 pay band (comparable to GS-14 pay). Pay will be set commensurate with the successful candidate's qualifications, funding availability, and NSPS pay setting guidelines. For more information on NSPS, please visit: <http://www.cpms.osd.mil/nsps>.

To be eligible for selection, the applicant must have at least two years of successful legal experience, a meaningful portion of which should relate to environmental law or real estate. Litigation experience is desirable. Knowledge, experience, and training in other legal areas of practice at NAVFAC as well as an understanding of the Navy, and the Office of General Counsel will also be favorably considered, but are not mandatory.

Applicants will be evaluated on 1) their knowledge and experience in federal environmental and/or real estate law; 2) their research, analytical, and writing skills; 3) their verbal communication skills, ability to develop a strong attorney-client relationships, and their ability to work both independently and as part of a team; 4) their interpersonal skills.

The successful candidate must be a U.S. citizen, have graduated from a law school accredited by the American Bar Association, be an active member in good standing of the bar (any U.S. jurisdiction), be admitted to practice before a state or federal court, and be eligible to obtain and maintain a Secret security clearance.

Interested attorneys may contact Ms. Cynthia Guill, Counsel, NAVFAC Washington, at 202-685-3231.

Applicants should submit an SF-171, OF-612, or resume; two legal writing samples; two most recent performance appraisals if available; and the names and phone numbers of at least three references (other than current supervisors) who may be contacted. Attorneys who have graduated from law school after 2003 must provide a copy of their law school transcripts including class rank. Send all documents to:

Cynthia S. Guill, Counsel
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Submission by fax at (202) 433-5759, e-mail to cynthia.guill@navy.mil, Federal Express or similar means is recommended due to recent problems with regular mail deliveries.

This personnel notice will close on February 6, 2009, and applications must be received by that date to be considered.

If the successful applicant is not currently a member of the Navy Office of General Counsel, processing of the hiring action can only commence after submission of those items identified in the "Instructions for New OGC Attorneys" (see Careers section of www.ogc.navy.mil).

Permanent Change of Station (PCS) is not authorized.

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VETERANS PREFERENCE IN HIRING

Department of the Navy attorney positions are in the excepted service, not the competitive civil service. There is no formal rating system for applying veterans' preference to attorney appointments in the excepted service; however, the Department of the Navy considers veterans' preference eligibility as a positive factor in attorney hiring. If you are eligible for veterans' preference in hiring, you are encouraged to include that information in your application along with the supporting documentation, e.g., DD 214. Not all veterans are eligible for veterans' preference. To find out if you are, you may visit the Veterans' Preference Advisor, operated by the Department of Labor at <http://www.dol.gov/elaws/vets/vetpref/vetspref.htm>.